

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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In the Matter of:

MOTION TO ADJUST RATES IN ACCORDANCE)	
WITH PURCHASED GAS ADJUSTMENT CLAUSE)	CASE NO. 7156-M
OF MARTIN GAS COMPANY, INC.)	

O R D E R

On December 20, 1978, the Commission issued its Final Order in Case No. 7156, approving certain rates and providing under certain conditions for the further adjustment of such rates when the wholesale cost of gas is increased or decreased.

On March 17, 1981, the Applicant, Martin Gas Company, Inc., notified the Commission that its wholesale cost of gas would be increased by one of its suppliers, Columbia Gas of Kentucky, effective April 1, 1981, and submitted with its notice certain information in compliance with this Commission's Order of December 20, 1978. The notice set out certain revisions in rates which the Applicant proposed to place in effect, said rates being designed to increase the cost of natural gas of its supplier.

The amount of the increased cost of gas to the Applicant will be \$4,616.57 on an annual basis.

After reviewing this evidence of record and being fully advised, the Commission is of the opinion and finds:

1. That the Applicant's supplier has filed the increased rates and said rates will become effective on and after April 1, 1981.

2. That the Applicant's notice of March 17, 1981, does not provide the Commission with the twenty day statutory notice and, therefore, the rates proposed herein should become effective on April 6, 1981.

3. That the Applicant's adjustment in rates under the Purchased Gas Adjustment Clause approved by the Commission in its Order in Case No. 7156, dated December 20, 1978, is fair, just and reasonable and in the public interest and should be allowed to be effective subject to refund with gas supplied on and after April 6, 1981.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the Purchased Gas Adjustment sought by the Applicant be and the same is hereby approved to be effective subject to refund with gas supplied on and after April 6, 1981, as set out in Appendix "A" attached hereto and made a part hereof.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Martin Gas Company, Inc., shall maintain its records in such manner as will enable it, or the Commission, or any of its customers to determine the amount to be refunded and to whom due in the event a refund is ordered by the Commission.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that for the purpose of the future application of the Purchased Gas Adjustment Clause of the Applicant the Base Rate for purchased gas shall be:

	<u>Commodity</u>
Columbia Gas of Kentucky	\$3.411 per MCF
Southeastern Gas Company	0.140

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the information furnished this Commission by the Applicant on March 17, 1981, constitutes full

compliance with the Commission's Order in Case No. 7156 and any other information ordinarily required to be filed under the Commission's Regulations is hereby waived.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that within thirty (30) days after the date of this Order, the Applicant shall file with this Commission its revised tariff sheets setting out the rates approved herein.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 13th day of April, 1981.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION


By the Commission

ATTEST:

Secretary

APPENDIX "A"

APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE
COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 7156-M DATED
APRIL 13, 1981

The following rates are prescribed for the customers in the area served by Martin Gas Company, Inc. All other rates and charges not specifically mentioned herein shall remain the same as those in effect under authority of the Commission prior to the date of this Order.

RATES: Monthly

First	2 MCF	\$3.8350 per MCF
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Over	2 MCF	\$4.6350 per MCF
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Minimum Bill:

The minimum bill shall be \$5.50 which entitles the user to less than 2 MCF per month.